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In re application of:

Hichem M'Saad

Application No.: 10/017,033

Filed: December 14, 2001

For: HDP-CVD FILM FOR
UPPERCLADDING APPLICATION
IN OPTICAL WAVEGUIDES

Examiner: Hoffmann, John M.

Art Unit: 1731

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 19, 2004, please enter the following remarks:

REMARKS

The Office Action dated March 19, 2004 requires restriction to one of four groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-20, 23 and 24;
- II. Claims 21-22;
- III. Claims 25-26; and
- IV. Claims 27 and 28.

Applicant elects Group I with traverse.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,



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